

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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IN REPLY PLEASE C-1

May 14, 2002

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify or approve changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000549 - Thompson Creek Dam Seismic Modifications, City of Claremont (5), Ford Construction Company, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$268,900, and a final contract amount of \$2,160,606.62 (Final Acceptance).

Project ID No. FCC0000694 - Reconstruction and Repair of Channel Access Roads for Eight Flood Control Facilities in the South Area (2 and 4), Southern California Underground Contractors, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$58,425, and a final contract amount of \$1,102,075.90.

Project ID No. FMD0001013 - Flood Maintenance Channel Landscape Improvements - West Area, vicinities of Reseda, Arleta, Woodland Hills, and Granada Hills (3 and 5), Mariposa Horticultural Enterprises, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$1,462.94, and a total contract amount at this time of \$367,555.54 (Partial Acceptance).

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Project ID No. FMD0003003 - Clearing of Channel Rights of Way, South Area, 2001, at various locations within the south area of the County of Los Angeles (1, 2, 3, and 4), United Pacific Services, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$25,000, and a final contract amount of \$212,752.

Project ID No. RMD3247011 - Willowbrook, et al., Slurry 2001, vicinities of Compton and Carson (2), California Pavement Maintenance Company, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$44,245.76, and a final contract amount of \$240,559.44.

Project ID No. RMD3267061 - Road Division 232-F Resurface 2001, vicinity of Carson (2), Sully-Miller Contracting Company, with changes in the amount of \$3,166.77, and a final contract amount of \$857,628.71.

CC 9006 - Sheriff Rd., Eastern Ave. to 3,570 Feet East of Eastern Ave., vicinity of City Terrace (1), All American Asphalt, with changes amounting to a credit of \$10,355.08, and a final contract amount of \$331,762.87.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts, Board approval of changes in Public Works contracts, and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified or approved, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FCC0000694, FMD0001013, FMD0003003, RMD3247011, and RMD3267061; and Cash Contract 9006.

Also enclosed for your approval is a change in work in excess of my delegated limits which is required to complete Project ID No. FCC0000549.

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The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$58,425.00 to an increase in the amount of \$268,900.00, while the total values of the contracts range from \$212,752.00 to \$2,160,606.62.

Ratification or approval of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

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CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

<u>IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)</u>

Ratification or approval of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

<u>CONCLUSION</u>

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office

County Counsel

Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (FINAL) May 14, 2002

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000549, THOMPSON CREEK DAM SEISMIC MODIFICATIONS (City of Claremont), Supervisorial District 5

<u>Contractor</u>: Ford Construction Company, Inc., 639 East Lockeford Street, Lodi, California 95240

Project Description:

Seismic modification of the Thompson Creek Dam.

Change in Work:

Process Embankment Material

\$268,900.00

Description of Change:

To meet the intent of the design, it was necessary to process embankment material to remove oversized rocks and boulders. The project specifications did not require the processing of embankment material; therefore, the contractor must be compensated for the cost of this additional work. The cost for this change was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Seventeen additional working days were required because of this change.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on October 18, 2001, in accordance with the plans and specifications. On April 2, 2002, your Board approved the partial acceptance of the work of this contract, with final acceptance pending the resolution of a claim submitted by the contractor for additional work and a dispute over the assessment of liquidated damages. The contractor has since submitted sufficient documentation to support entitlement to compensation for the processing of the embankment material in the amount shown. Also, the contractor was granted 17 additional working days for this work, thus eliminating the liquidated damages assessment. Therefore, we recommend that your Board authorize the additional cost and accept the work of this contract.

Original contract amount \$1,846,950.00

Changes in work previously approved

by the Board 44,756.62

Change in work to be authorized <u>268,900.00</u>

FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$2,160,606.62

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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000694, RECONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR OF CHANNEL ACCESS ROADS FOR EIGHT FLOOD CONTROL FACILITIES IN THE SOUTH AREA Supervisorial Districts 2 and 4

<u>Contractor</u>: Southern California Underground Contractors, Inc., P.O. Box 1747, Brea, California 92622-1747

Project Description:

Slurry sealing and reconstruction of paved access roads for various flood control facilities.

Changes in Work:

Variations In Bid Quantities (\$58,425.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 29, 2002, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Original contract amount	\$ 918,305.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	242,195.90
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	(58,425.00)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>1,102,075.90</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL)
May 14, 2002

PROJECT ID NO. FMD0001013, FLOOD MAINTENANCE CHANNEL LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS - WEST AREA (in the vicinities of Reseda, Arleta, Woodland Hills, and Granada Hills), Supervisorial Districts 3 and 5

<u>Contractor</u>: Mariposa Horticultural Enterprises, Inc., 15529 Arrow Highway, Irwindale, California 91706

Project Description:

Landscaping and installation of irrigation systems, chainlink fence, and ornamental gates along various flood control channels.

Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$3,712.06)
(2)	Credit for Ornamental Fence Welds	(3,000.00)
(3)	Installation of Remote Control Valves	4,575.00
(4)	Extension of Maintenance Period	<u>3,600.00</u>
	Total	\$ <u>1,462.94</u>

<u>Description of Changes</u>:

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) The number of welds required for the fabrication of the ornamental fence was less than shown on the plans. This change resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount shown.
- (3) In order to meet the intent of the design, it was necessary to install additional remote control valves to the irrigation system at the San Fernando Mission Boulevard location. This work is not shown on the plans.

(4) It will be necessary for the contractor to maintain the newly landscaped areas for three additional months until a maintenance contract is in place.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2 through 4 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Five additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The landscaped areas must be maintained for three additional months until a maintenance contract is in place. It is in Public Works' best interest to retain the current contractor to complete this additional work, which is not included in the original contract. Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor for the now completed work of the contract, pursuant to Section 7107 of the Public Contract Code, we recommend the release of retention for the work in place. Upon completion of the additional work, we will provide your Board with our recommendation for final acceptance of the project.

Amount Due Contractor at this Time:

Original contract amount Actual cost of changes in work previously	\$352,778.80
approved by the Board	13,313.80
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	1,462.94
AMOUNT DUE TO CONTRACTOR AT THIS TIME	\$ <u>367,555.54</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. FMD0003003, CLEARING OF CHANNEL RIGHTS OF WAY, SOUTH AREA, 2001 (at various locations within the south area of the County of Los Angeles), Supervisorial Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4

<u>Contractor</u>: United Pacific Services, Inc., 1740 North Hills Drive, La Habra, California 90631

Project Description:

Clearing of channel rights of way.

Change in Work:

Landfill Fees (\$25,000.00)

Description of Change:

The contract amount included a \$50,000 allowance to pay for the landfill fees. The actual cost of landfill fees was less than the contract allowance, resulting in a credit to the contract in the amount shown.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 1, 2002, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Original contract amount	\$195,683.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	42,069.00
Change in work authorized by Director of Public Works	(25,000.00)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>212,752.00</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD3247011, WILLOWBROOK, ET AL., SLURRY 2001 (in the vicinities of Compton and Carson), Supervisorial District 2

<u>Contractor</u>: California Pavement Maintenance Company, Inc., 9390 Elder Creek Road, Sacramento, California 95829-9397

Project Description:

Pavement and reconstruction of roadway pavement at various locations.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

(\$44,245.76)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on January 10, 2002, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

The contractor finished the work four days after the contract completion date. The project specifications provide for the assessment of liquidated damages of \$500 per day for each calendar day in excess of the contract completion date; therefore, we assessed liquidated damages in the amount of \$2,000. The contractor does not dispute this assessment.

Original contract amount	\$286,805.20
Changes in work authorized by Director of	/// - />
Public Works	(44,245.76)
Deduction for liquidated damages	(2,000.00)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>240,559.44</u>

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PROJECTID NO. RMD3267061, ROAD DIVISION 232-F RESURFACE, 2001 (in the vicinity of Carson), Supervisorial District 2

<u>Contractor</u>: Sully-Miller Contracting Company, 1100 East Orangethorpe Avenue, Suite 200, Anaheim, California 92801

Project Description:

Resurfacing and reconstruction of roadway pavement, reconstruction of curb and gutter, and modification of traffic signals.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities\$4,059.27(2) Overtime Inspection(892.50)

Total \$3,166.77

Description of Changes:

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) The contractor requested 17 hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount shown.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was stipulated in the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 14, 2002, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The reason for the delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$777,227.30
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	77,234.64
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	3,166.77
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>857,628.71</u>

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CASH CONTRACT 9006, SHERIFF ROAD, EASTERN AVENUE TO 3,570 FEET EAST OF EASTERN AVENUE (in the vicinity of City Terrace), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: All American Asphalt, P.O. Box 2229 Corona, California 91718-2229

Description of Work:

Resurfacing and reconstruction of roadway pavement, modification of traffic signals, and installation of a street lighting system.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

(\$10,355.08)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 5, 2002, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Original contract amount	\$285,231.30
Actual cost of change in work previously approved by the Board Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	56,886.65
	(10,355.08)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$331.762.87

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